AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please cancel the originally-filed Abstract of the Disclosure, and add the accompanying new Abstract of the Disclosure which appears on a separate sheet in the Appendix.

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 30 of page 1:

-- EP-A-0623724 discloses a panel for sectional doors in which the adjacents panels are hinged together by means of hinge parts forming part of the panel. The latter has in fact a first longitudinal end having a more outer circular profile part and a second longitudinal end opposite to the first and having a recess of circular narrow-mouthed shape arranged to matchingly receive said circular profile part of another panel having identical ends such as to couple and hinge the panels together. Said circular profiled part and circular recess have the same center which is offset to the medium plane of each panel. To insert the circular profile part of a panel in the circular recess of an adjacent panel it is necessary that the medium planes of the to panels form a suitable angle. In FR-A-2045563 a sliding-folding door is disclosed, which comprises a plurality of panels, each panel being hinged to the adjacent one in a manner similar to that for hinging the panels in EP-A-0623724. However in FR-A-2045563 each panel can rotate around a vertical axis which lies in the medium plane of the panel. Also in this case, for rotatably coupling two adjacent panels it is necessary that the medium planes of the two panels form a suitable angle.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The characteristics of the invention will be more apparent from the ensuing description and from the accompanying drawings relative to some embodiments of a non-limiting character, in which:

Figures 1A and ~~1A~~ B show a first preferred embodiment of the panel in sectional view, assembled and decomposed into its component elements respectively;

Figures 2A, B, C are sectional views with relative external prospects of three respective preferred configurations of the panels of Figure 1 ;

Figure 3 is a section showing the particular shape of the ends of the panel of

Figure 1, together with a section through an anti-friction half-ring which can be incorporated into the panel;

Figures 4A, B, C show respectively two sections and a front view relative to the modalities of assembly of the anti-friction half-rings ;

Figures 5A, B are a section and a front view showing the modalities of assembly of two consecutive panels of Figure 1;

Figures 6A, B, C are three sections through that part of the upper ends coupled to two consecutive panels, shown respectively in the normal position, in a position inclined at $\pi/6$ radians and in a position inclined at $\pi/3$ radians;

Figures 7A, B and C are respective sections through another preferred embodiment of the invention using extruded profile bars; in particular: Figure 7A shows the point of union (hinging)

of two profile bars pertaining to two consecutive panels; Figure 7B shows separation at this point of union (with omission of the anti-friction half-ring) ; Figure 7C shows two profile bars used at the ends (upper and lower) of the sectional door; Figures 8A and 8B represent overall views of two panels formed from the profile bars, joined to a plurality of interchangeable commercial elements obtainable on the market, such as aluminium glass holders for single and double glass, external and internal rubber sealing strips, and aluminium spacers; Figures 9A, B, C and D represent four overall sections through possible doors which can be formed with the panels of the preceding figures.--